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specifically, but we also have a vested interest in agriculture to be able to promote our product. And if we can present a provision like LB 150 that provides a seamless transition period until we get to the point where we go back to maybe some other form of a national program that puts the seams back together in a constitutional provision nationally, then I think that's an appropriate response for us to take and a reasonable step. So, I appreciate the discussion. I do know that there are others still have questions and, you know, the committee started They worked with those who with a proposal. interested. Some of the ideas of individuals that were opposed to the bill at the actual hearing were actually presented prior to the testimony. Some of those concerns are probably more than realistic to ask for, but I think what we've heard from the Chairman and what we've seen from our committee staff is to work with those individuals to try and balance the interest to come up with something that agriculture can be proud of and will in fact promote our beef industry. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Beutler.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. President, let me get back on my hobbyhorse. Talking about the "ruralies," I've never called them "aggies," because when I was a child an aggie was a marble that had a certain design in it and it was considered kind of a rarity and something that everybody wanted. You'd have to give up five to ten marbles to get an aggie. And Senator Schrock may know about fishing, but he may not know about football season, so don't call himself an aggie during football season, because Nebraska is now in the Big 12 and there is a Texas team known as the Aggies. So don't you tell some of these crazy people running around here in red clothes during football season that you're an Aggie. That will be the last word to come out of your mouth, and when you wake up 20 years from now out of that coma you'll be asking, what's it all about, Alfie; what happened? I'm just giving you some good advice before I launch into what I'm going to say. Senator Schrock mentioned that the rural community will have to do more in the way of paying its way. That's because they don't understand practical politics. would try to use myself as an example; point out to my